

FLORIDA PANTHER GENETIC RESTORATION PROGRESS REPORT

JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH 1997

TX101 -- TX 101 left the den site near the end of February. She continues to utilize a relatively small area on the Big Cypress Seminole Indian Reservation which indicates kittens are still with her.

TX104 -- TX104 spent the last 3 months travelling from around the Catherine Island area north of the Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge (FPNWR) south into the Fakahatchee Strand State Preserve. However, the bulk of her time was spent around the Rock Island area of the Refuge. Here she was recollared on Jan. 23. She was located with male panther #54 and female panther #32 on 20 Jan. then again with #54 on 17 Feb.

TX106 -- TX 106 generally remained in Fakahatchee Strand State Preserve utilizing almost the entire length north to south and west of the East Main tram. For two flights near the end of March she was located north of I-75 on the FPNWR for the first time.

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